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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir,

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97-1.98, the Applicants herewith transmit the attached Form PTO/SB/08a, including copies of the foreign documents which were cited in two Official Actions received from the Korean Intellectual Property Office (issued date of June 26, 2009 and June 30, 2009) with respect to related Korean Patent Application No. 10-2003-0014103 and No. 10-2003-0013813 respectively, and which may be deemed material to the examination of the above-identified application. English language abstracts and English language translations of the Official Actions are provided as brief statements of relevance of the foreign patent documents to the above identified application as required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98. Copies of the Official Actions provided by the Korean Intellectual Property Office are also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. Copies of the cited U.S. references are omitted.

The cited U.S. reference U.S. 5,847,771, was submitted in an earlier Information Disclosure Statement on September 17, 2007. Accordingly, the reference U.S. 5,847,771, is omitted from this Information Disclosure Statement.

Also, please note that there does not appear to be a page 17 for reference KR 1999-026435 as indicated by the displayed page numbers. The Applicants have made a notation of such at the bottom of page 16.

Since the present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after a first office action on the merits, but prior to a final office action, notice of allowance, or Quayle action, either certification under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is required. Accordingly, the Applicants certify under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, the attached Official Actions provided by the Korean Intellectual Property Office, not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement, therefore no fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is believed to be required. However, should any fees be required, the Director is hereby authorized to charge the required fees to Deposit Account No. 18-2220.

The Examiner is requested to consider the attached documents in connection with the above-identified application, and to return a copy of the Form PTO/SB/08a to the Applicants with the Examiner's initials in the spaces provided.

Submission of this Information Disclosure Statement does not constitute an admission by the Applicants as to the materiality of the attached documents to the application, nor do the Applicants waive any right to challenge the validity of the documents as prior art should such action be deemed appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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